

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The specification has been amended at page 1 to identify that this application is a U.S. National Phase Application under 35 USC 371 of an International Application.

There is also an obvious correction to an obvious error made in the specification at page 4 and reflected in the claims (e.g. claim 1 as well as corresponding recitation independent claims), to correct a subscript "p" to a subscript "m". More specifically, the change is from ~~-CO-NH-CO-(CH₂)_p-N(R^a)R^b~~, to -CO-NH-CO-(CH₂)_m-N(R^a)R^b. It is submitted that this change does not introduce new matter into the specification. The correction represents a correction of an obvious error in that the subscript "p" is not defined in the specification or in original claim 1. On page 5 of the specification the subscripts defined are "m" and "n". The subscript could not be "n" because "n" is limited to an integer of 1 to 3 and this would not cover a number of the species. Also, subscripts on (CH₂) in other R³ definitions of claim 1 and also in the disclosure at page 4, are "m". Thus, it is submitted that the context of use would lead a person of ordinary skill in the art to understand that the subscripts should have been "m" and that the use of "p" was an obvious

error. Furthermore, as evidence that this change is not new matter, it is noted that the substituent for R³ is properly represented in the last several lines on page 83 of the specification as originally filed.

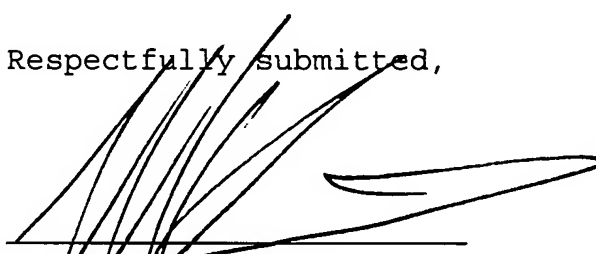
Claims 2-20, 23 and 30-36 are canceled. The primary claims have been amended to reflect U.S. practice and to remove multiple dependencies.

New claims 49 to 72 have been added. Claims 44-48 combine features found in various of the canceled claims. Claims 49-62 are species of the claimed compound or salts (e.g. see Table of compounds on page 194). The remaining claims are species of R³ (e.g. see claim 1).

Entry of this AMENDMENT and a favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested.

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